

SATURDAY, APRIL 20, 1901.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

The President in the chair.

The roll being called, the following Senators answered to their names:

Mr. President, Messrs. Adams, Blitch, Broome, Butler, Carson, Cottrell, Crews, Crill, Denham, Dimick, Harris, Kirk, Law, Miller, Myers, McCaskill, McCreary, MacWilliams, Neel, Palmer, of 14th Peacock, Rogers, Whiden, Sams, Wilson of 4th, Wilson of 7th, Wadsworth and Williams—29.

A quorum present.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

The reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

The Journal was corrected and approved.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

By Mr. Palmer of 11th:

Senate Bill No. 153:

A bill to be entitled an act to confer upon electric railway companies, when operating outside the incorporated limits of cities and towns in this State, all the rights, powers and privileges of eminent domain now exercised and enjoyed by railroad and canal companies in this State, as to and concerning the condemnation of private and public property for right of way.

Which was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Blitch:

Senate Bill No. 154:

A bill to be entitled an act to provide a penalty for selling liquors in counties or precincts voting against such sale, and to provide a penalty for selling liquor without first paying the license required by law in counties voting for the sale of liquors; and to prescribe rules of evidence in such cases, and to prescribe forms of indictments and informations in such cases.

Which was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Temperance.

By Mr. Butler:

Senate Bill No. 155:

A bill to be entitled an act to establish a standard of weights and measures for the State of Florida.

Which was read the first time by its title, and referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Crews:

Senate Bill No. 156:

A bill to be entitled an act to prescribe the compensation to be paid witnesses in the courts of County Judges and Justices of the Peace, and before Coroners on an inquest of the dead.

Which was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Neel:

Senate Bill No. 157:

A bill to be entitled an act to establish scholarships in the State Normal School at DeFuniak Springs, and to make appropriations therefor.

Which was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Education.

By Mr. Whidden:

Senate Bill No. 158:

A bill to be entitled an act to appropriate two thousand dollars to defray the expense of and maintain an exhibit at the Pan-American Exposition, at Buffalo, N. Y.

Which was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. Miller:

Senate Bill No. 160:

A bill to be entitled an act declaring the town of Chipley, in the county of Washington, to be a legally incorporated town.

Which was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on City and County Organization.

By Mr. Dimick:

Senate Bill No. 161:

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of R. J. Chilingworth.

Which was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Claims.

Senate Bill No. 159:

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for and regulate the holding of primary elections.

Which was read the first time by its title.

By Mr. Miller:

Senate Bill No. 162:

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for the issue of bonds by the town of Chipley, for the construction of water works and a public school building, and providing for the payment of the interest on and the principal of such bonds.

Which was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on City and County Organization.

A message was received from the House of Representatives.

CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTIONS.

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 10:

Relative to the appointment of a committee from the Senate and House to investigate certain rumors concerning the leasing of convicts.

Was taken up.

Mr. Kirk moved that further consideration of Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 10 be deferred until next Wednesday, and be made a special order for 11 o'clock a. m.

Mr. Williams moved that Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 10 be laid on the table.

Upon call of the roll—

The vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Adams, Blicht, Carson, Cottrell, Crews, Denham Dimick, Harris, Kirk, Law, McCaskill, MacWilliams, Neel, Palmer of 14th, Peacock, Whidden, Wilson of 4th, Wilson of 7th and Williams—19.

Nays—Messrs. Broome, Butler, Miller, Sams and Wadsworth—5.

The motion to lay on the table was agreed to.

Mr. Crill was excused from voting.

Mr. Kirk gave notice that at the next session of the Senate he would move to reconsider the vote by which Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 10 was laid on the table.

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 18, 1901.

Hon. Thomas Palmer,

President of the Senate:

Sir—I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has adopted—

House Concurrent Resolution No. 8:

Providing for the appointment of a committee to visit the State Reformatory, at Marianna, Fla.; the State Hospital for the Insane, at Chattahoochee, Fla.

The Speaker appointed Messrs. Porter of Monroe and McRae of Putnam, such Committee on part of the House.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,

Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

And House Concurrent Resolution No. 8, contained in the above message, was read the first time and laid over under the rules.

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 18, 1901.

Hon. Thomas Palmer,

President of the Senate:

Sir—I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has adopted—

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 5:

Relative to the appointment of a committee to visit the State Agricultural College, at Lake City, Fla.

The Speaker appointed the following Committee on part of the House: Messrs. Umstead of Suwannee and Lee of Hamilton.

Very Respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,

Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

The President appointed Mr. Dimick on the part of the Senate under the above resolution.

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 19, 1901.

Hon. Thomas Palmer,

President of the Senate:

Sir—I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has adopted—

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 9

Relative to the appointment of a committee to visit the

State Normal School, at DeFuniak, and West Florida Seminary and Colored Normal School, at Tallahassee.

The Speaker appointed the following Committee on part of the House: Messrs. Hendry of Lee and Dowden of Polk.

Very respectfully,
WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,
Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 19, 1901.

Hon. Thomas Palmer,

President of the Senate:

Sir—I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Bill No. 108

A bill to be entitled an act to amend Section 2 of Chapter 4120 of the Acts of 1893, Laws of Florida, being an act to prescribe the compensation to be paid jurors and witnesses serving in the courts of this State and to provide for summoning defendant's witnesses.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate therein.

Very respectfully,
WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,

Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 108, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

The following message from the House of Representative was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 19, 1901.

Hon. Thomas Palmer,

President of the Senate:

Sir—I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Bill No. 42

A bill to be entitled an act to prescribe the jurisdiction

county judges' courts, and to provide for Justices of the Peace issuing warrants returnable thereto, and to repeal Section 2847 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Florida, relating to the jurisdiction of County Judges' Courts.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate therein.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,

Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 42, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 18, 1901.

Hon. Thomas Palmer,

President of the Senate:

Sir—I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Memorial No. 101:

A memorial to Congress of the United States of America relating to lands for the Seminole Indians of Florida.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,

Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

And House Memorial No. 101, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 18, 1901.

Hon. Thomas Palmer,

President of the Senate:

Sir—I am directed by the House of Representatives to

inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Bill No. 106:

A bill to be entitled an act to regulate weights of produce sold in the State of Florida.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate therein.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,

Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 106, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 19, 1901.

Hon. Thomas Palmer,

President of the Senate:

Sir—I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Bill No. 113:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend Section 2604 of the Revised Statutes of Florida, relating to bigamy.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate therein.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,

Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 113 contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives
Tallahassee, Fla., April 19, 1901.

Hon. Thomas Palmer,

President of the Senate:

Sir—I am directed by the House of Representatives to in-

form the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

Senate Bill No. 16:

A bill to be entitled an act to repeal an act entitled an act to organize a municipal government for the town of Genoa, Florida, same being Chapter 4311, Laws of Florida, and approved May 26, 1893.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,

Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

And Senate Bill No. 16, contained in the above message, was referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

The following message from the House of Representatives was read.

House of Representatives.

Tallahassee, Fla., April 19, 1901.

Hon. Thomas Palmer,

President of the Senate:

Sir—I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

Senate Bill No. 71:

A bill to be entitled an act making incurable insanity a ground for divorce of husband and wife, and regulating proceedings in such cases.

With amendments thereto.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate therein.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,

Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

Mr. Adams moved that the House amendments to Senate Bill No. 71:

A bill to be entitled an act making incurable insanity a ground for divorce of husband and wife, and regulating proceedings in such cases.

Contained in the above message, be now taken up and considered.

Which was agreed to.

The following House amendment was read:

Strike out all of Section 1 after the word "incurable," on the third to the last line, then add the following: "Nothing in this act shall be construed to require the appointment of, in any case, of any guardian or committee of the person in more than one State or jurisdiction."

Mr. Adams moved that the Senate concur in the House amendment.

Which was agreed to.

The following House amendment was read:

Add to the fifth section at the end thereof the following: "Any such committee or guardian of the person, whether appointed within or without this State, may also appear and defend any such suit on behalf of the defendant."

Mr. Adams moved that the Senate concur in the House amendment.

Which was agreed to.

The following House amendment was read:

Strike out of Section 3 the words: "As is provided therein for cases of non-resident defendants as distinguished from absent resident defendants," and insert in lieu thereof the following: "As is provided therein for cases of defendants residing without the United States, as distinguished from defendants residing therein, and persons whose residence is unknown."

Mr. Adams moved that the Senate concur in the House amendment.

Which was agreed to.

The following House amendment was read:

Add to the 6th Section, at the end thereof, the following: "Provided, however, That whenever it shall be found that the husband is not able to make such provisions, no requirement of such provisions shall be made in the decrees further than the means of the husband will justify."

Mr. Adams moved that the Senate concur in the House amendment.

Which was agreed to.

And Senate Bill No. 71, as amended by the House of Representatives, which amendments were concurred in by the Senate, was referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

Mr. Harris, Chairman of the Committee on City and County Organization, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 20, 1901.

Hon. Thomas Palmer,

President of the Senate:

Sir—Your Committee on City and County Organization, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 136:

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the City of Jacksonville to levy a special tax for the support of a Free Public Library, and to authorize said city to enter into an obligation for the support thereof.

Also,

Senate Bill No. 128:

A bill to be entitled an act to legalize and incorporate the town of Jennings, in the county of Hamilton, State of Florida, and to declare the incorporation of the town of Jennings valid and of full force and effect.

Also,

Senate Bill No. 112:

A bill to be entitled an act declaring the town of Montbrook, in the county of Levy, State of Florida, to be a legally incorporated town.

Beg leave to report that they have carefully examined the same, and recommend that said bills be passed by the Senate.

Very respectfully,

W. HUNT HARRIS,

Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bills Nos. 136, 128 and 112, contained in the above report, were placed on the Calendar of bills on second reading.

Mr. Harris, Chairman of the Committee on City and County Organization, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,

Tallahassee, Fla., April 20, 1901.

Hon. Thomas Palmer,

President of the Senate:

Sir—Your Committee on City and County Organization, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 62:

A bill to be entitled an act fixing the price of illuminating gas to be charged by gas companies doing business in cities and towns in the State of Florida of 3,000 and over population.

Beg leave to report that they have carefully examined the

same and recommend that the said bill be not passed by the Senate.

Very respectfully,
W. HUNT HARRIS,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 62, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of bills on second reading.

Mr. Peacock, Chairman of the Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 20, 1901.

Hon. Thomas Palmer,

President of the Senate:

Sir—Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

An act making incurable insanity a ground for divorce of husband and wife, and regulating proceedings in such cases.

Beg leave to report that the same has been correctly enrolled.

Very respectfully,
J. M. N. PEACOCK,
Chairman of Committee.

The act contained in the above report was ordered referred to the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Mr. Dimick, Chairman of the Committee on Appropriations, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 20, 1901.

Hon. Thomas Palmer,

President of the Senate:

Sir—Your Committee on Constitutional Amendments, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 138:

A bill to be entitled "an act to appropriate money to carry out the provisions of an act passed by the Legislature of the State of Florida in the year 1895, that proof may be obtained by the survivors or descendants of the soldiers of the Indian wars in Florida, who may be entitled to pensions from the government of the United States."

Beg leave to report that they have carefully considered the same, and recommend that it do pass.

Very respectfully,
E. N. DIMICK,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 138, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of bills on second reading.

Mr. MacWilliams, Chairman of the Committee on Constitutional Amendments, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 20, 1901.

Hon. Thomas Palmer,

President of the Senate:

Sir—Your Committee on Constitutional Amendments, to whom was referred—

Senate Joint Resolution No. 96:

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to the constitution of the State of Florida, in relation to the Legislature.

Beg leave to report that they have carefully examined the same, and recommend that it do pass.

Very respectfully,

W. A. MacWILLIAMS,

Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Joint Resolution No. 96, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of bills on second reading.

Mr. MacWilliams, Chairman of the Committee on Constitutional Amendments, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 20, 1901.

Hon. Thomas Palmer,

Sir—Your Committee on Constitutional Amendments, to whom was referred—

Senate Joint Resolution No. 134:

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to Section 8, of Article XII of the Constitution of the State of Florida, relative to county school levy.

Beg leave to report that they have carefully considered same, and recommend that it do pass.

Very respectfully,

W. A. MacWILLIAMS,

Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Joint Resolution No. 134, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of bills on second reading.

Mr. MacWilliams, Chairman of the Committee on Constitutional Amendments, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 20, 1901.

Hon. Thomas Palmer,

President of the Senate:

Sir—Your Committee on Constitutional Amendments, to whom was referred—

Senate Joint Resolution No. 87:

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to Section 17 of Article V of the Constitution of the State of Florida.

Beg leave to report that they have carefully considered the same, and recommend that it do pass.

Very respectfully,

W. A. MacWILLIAMS,

Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Joint Resolution No. 87, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of bills on second reading.

Mr. Peacock, Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber.

Tallahassee, Fla., April 20, 1901.

Hon. Thomas Palmer,

President of the Senate:

Sir—Your Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

An act making incurable insanity a ground for divorce of husband and wife, and regulating proceedings in such cases.

Beg leave to report that the same has been correctly enrolled.

Very respectfully,

J. M. N. PEACOCK,

Chairman of Committee.

The act contained in the above report, was ordered referred to the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, to be conveyed to the House of Representatives for the signature of the Speaker and Chief Clerk thereof.

Mr. Crews, Chairman of the Committee on Temperance, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 20, 1901.

Hon. Thomas Palmer,

President of the Senate:

Sir—Your Committee on Temperance, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 150:

A bill to be entitled an act authorizing the town of Leesburg to appropriate money for the securing of evidence against persons selling intoxicating liquors, wines or beer in said town.

Beg leave to report that they have carefully considered the same and return it herewith with the recommendation that it do pass.

Very respectfully,
J. B. CREWS,

Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 150, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of bills on second reading.

Mr. Wilson of 7th, Chairman of the Committee on Judiciary, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 19, 1901.

Hon. Thomas Palmer,

President of the Senate:

Sir—Your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred—

Senate Joint Resolution No. 116:

A Joint Resolution memorializing Congress to so amend the postal laws as to extend the franking privilege to members of the Legislature of the respective States.

Beg leave to report that they have carefully considered same, and recommend that it do pass.

Very respectfully,
C. C. WILSON,

Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Joint Resolution No. 116, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of bills on second reading.

Mr. Wilson of 7th, Chairman of the Committee on Judiciary, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 19, 1901.

Hon. Thomas Palmer,

President of the Senate:

Sir—Your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred—

House Bill No. 76:

A bill to be entitled an act to prohibit shooting at or into dwelling houses or steamboats, and to provide punishment for same.

Beg leave to report that they have carefully considered same, and recommend its passage with the following amendments, to-wit:

In the second line of Section 1, after the word "to," add the words "wilfully or intentionally."

Also by striking out in lines two and three of Section 1, the following: "lead, iron, or any other bullets, slugs, or shot."

Very respectfully,

C. C. WILSON,

Chairman of Committee.

And House Bill No. 76, contained in the above report, together with the amendments, was placed on the Calendar of bills on second reading.

Mr. Wilson of 7th, Chairman of the Committee on Judiciary, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,

Tallahassee, Fla., April 19, 1901.

Hon. Thomas Palmer,

President of the Senate:

Sir—Your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 145:

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for the issue, custody, redemption, sale and transfer of tax sale certificates, and the issue of tax deeds, and prescribing the duties of certain officers in connection therewith.

Beg leave to report that they have carefully considered same, and return said bill with the recommendation that 300 copies be printed, and that it then be re-referred back to this committee.

Very respectfully,

C. C. WILSON,

Chairman of Committee.

Mr. Wilson of 7th moved the recommendation contained in the above report be adopted.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Wilson of 7th, Chairman of the Committee on Judiciary, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 19, 1901.

Hon. Thomas Palmer,

President of the Senate:

Sir—Your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred—

House Bill No. 100:

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for the appointment and compensation of stenographers in Circuit Courts.

Beg leave to report that they have carefully considered same, and recommend its passage with the following amendments, to-wit.:

By adding in line two of the title, after the word "circuit" the words "and Criminal."

Also in line 2 of Section 1, after the word "Circuit," add the words "and Criminal."

Also in line 5 of Section 1, strike out the word "County," and insert in lieu thereof the word "State."

Also in line 9 of Section 1, strike out the words "from the Treasury of the County" and insert in lieu thereof the words "By the State."

Also in line 10 of Section 1, after the word "Circuit," add the words "or Criminal."

Also in line 12 of Section 1, after the word "Circuit," add the words "or Criminal."

Very respectfully,

C. C. WILSON,

Chairman of Committee.

And House Bill No. 100, contained in the above report, together with the amendments, was placed on the Calendar of bills on second reading.

Mr. Peacock, Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 20, 1901.

Hon. Thomas Palmer,

President of the Senate:

Sir—Your Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

An act making incurable insanity a ground for divorce

of husband and wife, and regulating proceedings in such cases.

Beg leave to report that the same has been presented to the House of Representatives for the signatures of the Speaker and Chief Clerk thereof.

Very respectfully,
J. M. N. PEACOCK,
Chairman of Committee.

Mr. Wilson of 7th, Chairman of the Committee on Judiciary, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 19, 1901.

Hon. Thomas Palmer,
President of the Senate:

Sir—Your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 115:

A bill to be entitled an act fixing the price for the sale and redemption of tax certificates held by the State.

Beg leave to report that they have carefully considered the same, and return said bill with the recommendation that 300 copies be printed, and that it then be re-referred to this Committee.

Very respectfully,
C. C. WILSON,
Chairman of Committee.

Mr. Wilson of 7th moved the recommendation contained in the above message be adopted.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Wilson of 7th, Chairman of the Committee on Judiciary, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 19, 1901.

Hon. Thomas Palmer,
President of the Senate:

Sir—Your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 129:

A bill to be entitled an act to establish and keep in good repair hard public roads and highways in DeSoto county in this State; directing the Board of County Commissioners of said county to levy a special tax to pay for same; to purchase necessary tools, implements and stock to be used in working same;

to pay all expenses of same and declaring all roads in said county heretofore established according to law to be public roads.

Beg leave to report that they have carefully considered same, and recommend that it do pass.

Very respectfully,

C. C. WILSON,

Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 129, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of bills on second reading.

Mr. Wilson of 7th, Chairman of the Committee on Judiciary, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,

Tallahassee, Fla., April 19, 1901.

Hon. Thomas Palmer,

President of the Senate:

Sir—Your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred—

House Bill No. 17:

A bill to be entitled an act to make valid certain instruments defectively acknowledged, and to make the record of the same notice to all persons.

Beg leave to report that they have carefully considered same, and recommend that it do pass.

Very respectfully,

C. C. WILSON,

Chairman of Committee.

And House Bill No. 17, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of bills on second reading.

Mr. Wilson of 7th, Chairman of the Committee on Judiciary, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,

Tallahassee, Fla., April 19, 1901.

Hon. Thomas Palmer,

President of the Senate:

Sir—Your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred—

House Bill No. 80:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend Section 1259 of the

Revised Statutes of the State of Florida, relating to the territorial powers of Constables.

Beg leave to report that they have carefully considered same, and recommend that it do pass.

Very respectfully,

C. C. WILSON,
Chairman of Committee.

And House Bill No. 80, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of bills on second reading.

Mr. Wilson of 7th, Chairman of Committee on Judiciary, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 19, 1901.

Hon. Thomas Palmer,

President of the Senate:

Sir—Your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 141:

A bill to be entitled an act prescribing the mode of conveying lands granted to or held by the State for educational purposes, and confirming and validating conveyances of such lands heretofore made.

Beg leave to report that they have carefully considered same, and recommend that it do pass.

Very respectfully,

C. C. WILSON,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 141, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of bills on second reading.

Mr. Wilson of 7th, Chairman of Committee on Judiciary, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber.
Tallahassee, Fla., April 19, 1901.

Hon. Thomas Palmer,

President of the Senate:

Sir—Your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 118:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend Sections 1 and 2 Chapter 4383 of the Laws of Florida, being an act fixing rule days and providing for the fixing of trial terms

County Judges' Courts and Courts of Justices of the Peace; approved May 30, 1890.

Beg to report that they have carefully considered same, and recommend that it do not pass.

Very respectfully,

C. C. WILSON,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 118, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of bills on second reading.

Mr. Wilson of 7th, Chairman of Committee on Judiciary, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 19, 1901.

Hon. Thomas Palmer,

President of the Senate:

Sir—Your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 86:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend Sections 875, 876, 878 of the Revised Statutes of Florida, relating to fences in Lee county.

Beg leave to report that they have carefully considered same, and recommend the passage of the accompanying substitute therefor.

Very respectfully,

C. C. WILSON,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 86, contained in the above report, together with the substitute, was placed on the Calendar of bills on second reading.

Mr. Wilson of 7th, Chairman of the Committee on Judiciary, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 19, 1901.

Hon. Thomas Palmer,

President of the Senate:

Sir—Your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred—

House Bill No. 68:

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for the admission in evidence of the testimony of parties convicted of crime and providing for the admission of evidence effecting the credibility of such witnesses.

Beg leave to report that they have carefully considered same, and recommend that it do not pass.

Very respectfully,

C. C. WILSON,

Chairman of Committee.

And House Bill No. 68, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of bills on second reading.

Mr. Wilson of 7th, Chairman of Committee on Judiciary, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,

Tallahassee, Fla., April 19, 1901.

Hon. Thomas Palmer,

President of the Senate:

Sir—Your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 146:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend Section 1190 of the Revised Statutes of Florida, relating to property subject to levy and sale under execution.

Beg leave to report that they have carefully considered same, and recommend that it do not pass.

Very respectfully,

C. C. WILSON,

Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 146, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of bills on second reading.

Mr. Wilson of 7th, Chairman of the Committee on Judiciary, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,

Tallahassee, Fla., April 19, 1901.

Hon. Thomas Palmer,

President of the Senate:

Sir—Your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred—

House Bill No. 62:

A bill to be entitled an act to prohibit the taking, carrying away or concealing of the personal property of another with malicious or mischievous intent but without intent to steal and prescribing a penalty for the same.

Beg leave to report that they have carefully considered same, and recommend that it do not pass.

Very respectfully,

C. C. WILSON,

Chairman of Committee.

And House Bill No. 62, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of bills on second reading.

Mr. Wilson of 7th, Chairman of the Committee on Judiciary, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 19, 1901.

Hon. Thomas Palmer,

President of the Senate:

Sir—Your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 147:

A bill to be entitled an act to require the several counties in the State of Florida, to enforce laws to compel stationary engineers to take out license, affixing a penalty thereof; to compel the inspection of steam boilers, except locomotive, marine, and boilers regularly inspected by a recognized insurance company, affixing a penalty therefor; and to compel employers, their managers, or servants, to allow inspection of boilers, affixing a penalty therefor.

Beg leave to report that they have carefully considered same, and return it with the recommendation that it be referred to your Committee on Organized Labor.

Very respectfully,

C. C. WILSON,
Chairman of Committee.

Mr. Wilson of 7th moved the adoption of the report.

Which was agreed to.

And Senate Bill No. 147 was referred to the Committee on Organized Labor.

Mr. Wilson of 7th, Chairman of the Committee on Judiciary, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 19, 1901.

Hon. Thomas Palmer,

President of the Senate:

Sir—Your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 111:

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for the cancellation of all tax sale certificates or tax deeds issued to the State or any county for unpaid taxes assessed on real estate for any year prior to the year 1877, which are now held by the State or any county.

Beg leave to report that they have carefully considered same, and recommend that it do pass.

Very respectfully,

C. C. WILSON,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 111, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of bills on second reading.

Mr. Cottrell, Chairman of the Committee on Agriculture, submitted the following report

Senate Chamber.

Tallahassee, Fla., April 19, 1901.

Hon. Thomas Palmer,

President of the Senate:

Sir—Your Committee on Agriculture, to whom was referred—

House Bill No. 105:

A bill to be entitled an act to protect stock from barb wire fences, and to provide for sale and disposition of the proceeds thereof if not repaired by the owner of said fence.

Beg leave to report that they have carefully considered same, and recommend that it do not pass.

Very respectfully,

E. L. COTTRELL,
Chairman of Committee.

And House Bill No. 105, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of bills on second reading.

Mr. Cottrell, Chairman of the Committee on Agriculture, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber.

Tallahassee, Fla., April 19, 1901.

Hon. Thomas Palmer,

President of the Senate:

Sir—Your Committee on Agriculture, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 131:

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for the inspection and analysis of and to regulate the sale of commercial fertilizers, manurial chemicals, cotton seed meal, castor pumace, tobacco stems, tobacco dust or tobacco meal, in this State; to prohibit the sale of fraudulent or adulterated commercial fertilizers, manurial chemicals, cotton seed meal, castor pumace, tobacco stems, tobacco dust or tobacco meal; to fix penalties for the violation of the provisions of this act, and to provide for the

collection of a license or inspection fee from the manufacturers or dealers in commercial fertilizers, manurial chemicals, cotton seed meal, tobacco stems, tobacco dust or tobacco meal and to repeal all laws or parts of laws in conflict with this act.

Beg leave to report that they have carefully examined the same, and recommend that it do pass, with the following amendment:

After the word "agriculture," in fourth line, Section 14, add the following: "Provided, such expenses shall not exceed five hundred dollars per annum."

Very respectfully,

E. L. COTTRELL,

Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 131, contained in the above report, together with the amendment, was placed on the Calendar of bills on second reading.

Mr. Cottrell, Chairman of the Committee on Agriculture, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,

Tallahassee, Fla., April 19, 1901.

Hon. Thomas Palmer,

President of the Senate:

Sir—Your Committee on Agriculture, to whom was referred—

House Bill No. 29:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend Section 4 of Chapter 4338, Laws of Florida, being an act to provide for establishing working and repairing and maintaining the public roads and bridges of the several counties of this State, and to provide penalties for failure thereof.

Beg leave to report that they have carefully considered same, and recommend that it do pass.

Very respectfully,

E. L. COTTRELL,

Chairman of Committee.

And House Bill No. 29, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of bills on second reading.

Mr. Carson, Chairman of the Committee on Education, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,

Tallahassee, Fla., April 20, 1901.

Hon. Thomas Palmer,

President of the Senate:

Sir—Your Committee on Education, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 151:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend Sections 256 and 257 of the Revised Statutes relative to school holidays and lost time, and to prescribe a school vacation.

Have considered same, and recommend that it do pass.

Very respectfully,

C. A. CARSON,

Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 151, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of bills on second reading.

Mr. Butler, Chairman of the Committee on Public Health, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,

Tallahassee, Fla., April 20, 1901.

Hon. Thomas Palmer,

President of the Senate:

Sir: Your Committee on Public Health, to whom was referred—

House Memorial No. 72:

A memorial to the Congress of the United States requesting that the Tortugas group of islands be restored to the Treasury Department of the United States to be used for quarantine purposes of the government.

Beg leave to report that they have carefully considered same, and recommend that it do pass.

Very respectfully,

P. W. BUTLER,

Chairman of Committee.

And House Memorial No. 72, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of bills on second reading.

Mr. Butler, Acting Chairman of the Committee on Engrossed Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,

Tallahassee, Fla., April 20, 1901.

Hon. Thomas Palmer,

President of the Senate:

Sir—Your Committee on Engrossed Bill, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 94:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend Section 2138 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Florida, relating to officers, choice, term and number.

Also,

Senate Bill No. 7:

A bill to be entitled an act to legalize the incorporation of the town of Mulberry, in Polk County, Florida, and to declare the incorporation and ordinances of the town of Mulberry valid and of full force and effect; and to empower said town to make its own assessments of taxes and fix the valuation of property thereof, and to prescribe the time for assessment and collection of taxes.

Have carefully examined the same, and find them correctly engrossed.

Very respectfully,

P. W. BUTLER,

Acting Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bills No. 94 and 7, contained in the above report, were placed on the Calendar of bills on third reading.

Mr. MacWilliams, Chairman on the part of the Senate of the Joint Committee on Relief of the Supreme and Circuit Courts, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,

Tallahassee, Fla., April 20, 1901.

Hon. Thomas Palmer,

President of the Senate:

Sir—Your joint committee appointed to take into consideration the matter of the relief of the Supreme and Circuit Courts of the State, beg leave to report that they have duly considered—

Senate Bill No. 78:

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Supreme Court to select commissioners, to assist the court in the performance of its duties, and providing compensation for such commissioners;

And,

Senate Bill No. 79:

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Supreme Court to select commissioners to assist the court in the performance of its duties, and providing compensation for such commissioners.

And respectfully recommend that they do not pass.

And they further submit herewith, as a substitute for such acts to take its place as a new bill on behalf of the Joint Committee:

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Supreme Court of Florida to select commissioners to assist the court in the performance of its duties, and prescribing the duties of such commissioners, and providing for their compensation.

And recommend that the same do pass.

Very respectfully,
W. A. MacWILLIAMS.

Chairman of Committee on the part of the Senate.

And Senate Bills Nos. 78 and 79, contained in the above report, together with committee substitute therefor, were placed on the Calendar of bills on second reading.

Mr. Peacock, Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,

Tallahassee, Fla., April 20, 1901.

Hon. Thomas Palmer,

President of the Senate:

Sir—Your Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

An act making incurable insanity a ground for divorce of husband and wife, and regulating proceedings in such cases.

Beg leave to report that the same has been duly signed by the Speaker and Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives, and is herewith presented for the signatures of the President and Secretary of the Senate.

Very respectfully,
J. M. N. PEACOCK,
Chairman of Committee.

ENROLLED.

The President announced that he was about to sign—

An act making incurable insanity a ground for divorce of husband and wife, and regulating proceedings in such cases.

The act was therefore duly signed by the President and Secretary of the Senate, and ordered returned to the Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills to convey to the Governor for his approval.

BILLS ON SECOND READING.

Senate Bill No. 77:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend the city charter of the city of Port Tampa.

Was taken up.

And Senate Bill No. 77 was informally passed.

Senate Bill No. 67:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend Section 1 of Chapter 4670, Laws of Florida, entitled "An act to provide annuities for disabled soldiers and sailors, and wives of deceased sol-

diers and sailors of the State of Florida," approved June 2, 1899.

Was taken up.

And Senate Bill No. 67 was informally passed.

Senate Joint Resolution No. 20:

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to Section 18 of Article V of the Constitution of the State of Florida.

Was taken up and read a second time in full.

Mr. Wilson of 7th offered the following amendment to Senate Joint Resolution No. 20:

By adding the following: "And provided further, That when any County Court shall be hereafter established in any county in this State, the County Judges of said county shall hold his office and perform the duties of Judge of the County Court until his term of office shall expire."

Mr. Wilson of 7th moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

And Senate Joint Resolution No. 20, as amended, was ordered referred to the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

Senate Bill No. 117:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend Section 2166 of Article 2, and Sections 2169 and 2170 of Article 3, and Section 2177 of Article 5, and Section 2179 of Article 6, of Sub-Chapter 1 of the Revised Statutes of Florida, regulating special provisions for banking companies.

Was taken up and read a second time in full, together with the committee substitute therefor, with the following title:

Committee Substitute for Senate Bill No. 117:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend Section 2169 of Article 3, Sub-Chapter 1, Title 3, Part 4 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Florida, regulating the capital stock of banking companies.

Which was read the first time.

Mr. Adams moved the substitute offered by the committee for Senate Bill No. 117 be adopted.

Which was agreed to.

Committee Substitute for Senate Bill No. 117 was then read a second time in full and ordered referred to the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

Senate Bill No. 132:

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for free school books in the counties of this State.

Was taken up and read a second time in full, together with the following committee amendment:

In line 2 of Section 1, after the word "shall," insert the following: "if they deem it desirable."

Mr. Carson moved the adoption of the committee amendment.

Which was agreed to.

And Senate Bill No. 132, as amended, was ordered referred to the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

House Bill No. 59:

A bill to be entitled an act to require the several Boards of Public Instruction of the several counties of the State to make monthly reports of all receipts and disbursements of money to the County Commissioners of their respective counties.

Was taken up and read a second time in full.

And House Bill No. 59 was placed on Calendar of Bills on third reading.

Senate Bill No. 140:

A bill to be entitled an act requiring teachers' summer schools and making appropriations therefor.

Was taken up and read a second time in full, together with the following committee amendment:

Strike out the words "three thousand" wherever they occur in the bill and insert in lieu thereof the following: "two thousand."

Mr. Carson moved the adoption of the committee amendment.

Which was agreed to.

And Senate Bill No. 140, as amended, was ordered referred to the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

House Bill No. 79:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend Section 2169 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Florida relating to the amount of capital and par value of shares of banking companies.

Was taken up and read a second time in full.

Mr. Dimick moved that House Bill No. 79 be indefinitely postponed.

Which was not agreed to.

And House Bill No. 79 was placed on Calendar of bills on third reading.

Senate Bill No. 101:

A bill to be entitled an act relating to the limitation of hours of daily service of laborers and mechanics employed upon the public works of the State of Florida, and the municipalities operating thereunder.

Was taken up and read a second time in full, together with the following committee amendment:

Strike out the words "one thousand" on line 8, Section 2, and insert in lieu thereof the following: "five hundred."

Mr. MacWilliams moved the adoption of the committee amendment.

Which was agreed to.

And Senate Bill No. 101, as amended, was ordered referred to the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

Senate Bill No. 144:

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize officers of corporations to execute bonds in court proceedings.

Was taken up and read a second time in full.

And Senate Bill No. 144 was ordered referred to the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

Senate Bill No. 59:

BILLS ON THIRD READING.

A bill to be entitled an act authorizing the passage of ordinances by incorporated cities and towns, and the promulgation of rules and regulations of the State Board of Health, to enforce and compel the vaccination and re-vaccination of citizens and residents of the State of Florida, and prescribing the duties of certain officers and persons to that end, and providing certain penalties for failure, refusal or neglect to comply with the provisions of the same.

Was taken up and read the third time in full and put upon its passage.

Upon call of the roll on Senate Bill No. 59—

The vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Adams, Butler, Carson, Crews, Crill, Denham, Harris, Law, Miller, Myers, MacWilliams, Rogers, Sams and Wilson of 7th—14.

Nays—Messrs. Blitch, Cottrell, McCaskill, Neel, Palmer of 14th, Peacock and Williams—7.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

Mr. Butler moved that the rules be waived and that Senate Bill No. 59 be immediately certified to the House of Representatives.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote, and Senate Bill No. 59 was so certified.

House Bill No. 19:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend Section 1 of Chapter 4179, entitled an act to provide a Board of Phosphate Commissioners and an Inspector of Phosphates, and to define their duties and their authority, to grant the right to mine phosphate in the beds of navigable waters of the State of Florida upon certain conditions, and to prohibit persons from mining unlawfully the same.

Was taken up and read the third time in full and put upon its passage.

Upon call of the roll on House Bill No. 19—

The vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Adams, Blitch, Butler, Carson, Cottrell, Crews, Crill, Miller, Myers, McCaskill, MacWilliams, Neel, Palmer of 14th, Peacock, Rogers, Sams, Wilson of 7th and Williams—18.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

House Bill No. 22:

A bill to be entitled an act to require persons running or operating log-timber or turpentine carts or wagons, or persons habitually hauling heavy loads on or over the public roads in this State, to keep the portion of such road used by them in repair.

Was taken up and read the third time in full, as amended, and put upon its passage.

Upon call of the roll on House Bill No. 22—

The vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Adams, Blitch, Butler, Carson, Crews, Denham, Dimick, Kirk, Miller, Myers, McCaskill, MacWilliams, Neel, Palmer of 14th, Peacock, Rogers, Wilson of 7th and Williams—18.

Nays—Mr. Crill—1.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

House Bill No. 4:

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for the construction and maintenance of drains by the several counties of the State of Florida, and to provide for assessments of the costs thereof against the property benefited thereby, and further, to provide for the collection and enforcement of such assessments, and to legalize all contracts for drains which heretofore may have been entered into, and assessments made therefor, by the County Commissioners of any county in the State of Florida, under Chapter 4807 of the Laws of Florida.

Was taken up.

Mr. Wilson moved that House Bill No. 4, as amended, be informally passed.

Which was agreed to.

House Bill No. 75:

A bill to be entitled an act to repeal Section 2054 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Florida, relative to estrays.

Mr. Wilson moved that House Bill No. 75 be indefinitely postponed.

Which was agreed to.

House Bill No. 88:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend Section 2378 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Florida defining justifiable homicide.

Was taken up and read the third time in full, as amended, and put upon its passage.

Upon call of the roll on House Bill No. 88—

The vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Adams, Blitch, Butler, Carson, Crews, Crill, Denham, Harris, Kirk, Law, Myers, McCaskill, MacWilliams, Neel, Palmer of 14th, Peacock, Rogers, Sams, Wilson of 7th and Williams—20.

Nays—Messrs. Dimick and Miller—2.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

House Bill No. 84:

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for fixing the amount of bail bonds in certain criminal cases by the judges of the Criminal Courts of Record of this State, and the approval of the said bonds by the several Sheriffs of the State.

Was taken up and read the third time in full, as amended, and put upon its passage.

Upon call of the roll on House Bill No. 84—

The vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Adams, Blitch, Butler, Carson, Crews, Crill, Denham, Dimick, Harris, Kirk, Law, Miller, McCaskill, MacWilliams, Neel, Palmer of 14th, Peacock, Sams, Wilson of 7th and Williams—21.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

Senate Bill No. 109:

A bill to be entitled an act to provide a penalty for selling liquors in counties or precincts voting against such sales and to repeal Chapter 4746 of the Laws of Florida, the same being an act entitled "An act to amend Section 2634 of Article 14, Chapter 7 of the Revised Statutes of Florida, relating to the selling of liquors in counties or precincts voting against such sales."

Was taken up and read the third time in full and put upon its passage.

Mr. Palmer of 14th moved that Senate Bill No. 109 be placed back on second reading for amendment.

Which was agreed to.

And Senate Bill No. 109 was placed on the Calendar of bills on second reading.

Mr. Carson moved that Mr. Peacock be excused from attendance until Tuesday next.

Which was agreed to.

And Mr. Peacock was excused.

Senate Bill No. 35:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend Section 10 of Chapter 4537 of the Laws of Florida, approved June 7, 1897, entitled an act to amend Sections 2, 3, 4, 6, 10, 12, 22, 24, 25, 30, 37, 40, of an act entitled an act to provide for the registration of all legally qualified voters in the several counties of the State, and to provide for general and special elections and for the returns of elections, approved May 25, 1895.

Was taken up and read the third time in full and put upon its passage.

Upon call of the roll on Senate Bill No. 35—

The vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Blitch, Butler, Carson, Cottrell, Crews, Crill, Dimick, Harris, Kirk, Law, Miller, McCreary, MacWilliams, Neel, Palmer of 14th, Sams, Wilson of 7th and Williams—18.

Nays—Messrs. Myers and McCaskill—2.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

Mr. Crill moved that Mr. Wilson of 4th be excused from attendance on account of committee work.

Which was agreed to.

And Mr. Wilson of 4th was excused.

Mr. Crill moved that Mr. Sams be excused from attendance until Wednesday next.

Which was agreed to.

And Mr. Sams was excused.

By permission—

Mr. Carson, Acting Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,

Tallahassee, Fla., April 20, 1901.

Hon. Thomas Palmer,

President of the Senate:

Sir—Your Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

An act making incurable insanity a ground for divorce of husband and wife, and regulating proceedings in such cases.

Beg leave to report that the same has been presented to the Governor for his approval.

Very respectfully,

C. A. CARSON,

Acting Chairman of Committee.

Mr. MacWilliams moved to adjourn until 10 o'clock a. m. Monday.

Which was agreed to.

Thereupon the Senate stood adjourned until 10 o'clock a. m. Monday.

MONDAY, APRIL 22, 1901.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

The President in the Chair.

The roll being called, the following Senators answered to their names:

Mr. President, Messrs. Adams, Blitch, Broome, Butler, Carson, Cottrell, Crews, Crill, Harris, Kirk, Law, Miller, Myers, McCaskill, McCreary, MacWilliams, Neel, Palmer of 14th, Rouse, Whidden, Wilson of 7th, Wadsworth and Williams—24.

A quorum present.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. McCarthy, of the Presbyterian Church.

The reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

The Journal was corrected and approved.

Mr. Carson moved that Mr. Dimick be excused from attendance until Friday next.

Which was agreed to.

And Mr. Dimick was excused.

Mr. Broome asked that Mr. O'Brien be excused from attendance until to-morrow.

Which was agreed to.

And Mr. O'Brien was excused.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

By Mr. MacWilliams:

Senate Bill No. 163:

A bill to be entitled an act concerning fire insurance policies.

Which was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTIONS.

House Concurrent Resolution No. 8:

Proposing appointment Joint Committee to visit the Reformatory at Marianna and State Insane Asylum.